

upon Ibraheem and the followers of Ibraheem. Verily, You are full of praise and majesty. O Alláh, send blessings upon Muhammed and the followers of Muhammed; Just as You sent blessings upon Ibraheem and upon the followers of Ibraheem. Verily, You are full of praise and majesty."

Then seek refuge with Alláh from four things by saying:

"اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ عَذَابِ النَّفَرِ، وَمِنْ عَذَابِ جَهَنَّمِ"

وَمِنْ فَتْنَةِ الْمَخْيَىٰ وَالْمَنَمَاتِ، وَمِنْ شَرِّ فَتْنَةِ الْمَسِيحِ الدَّجَّالِ"

"O Alláh, indeed I seek refuge with you from the punishment of the grave and the punishment of the hell fire, and the trials of life and death, and from the corruption of the Dajjál."

And you are also able to make supplication with any other prayer such as:

"اللَّهُمَّ أَعُنِّي عَلَى ذِكْرِكَ وَشُكْرِكَ وَحُسْنِ عَبَادَتِكَ"

"O Alláh, help and guide me to remember You, and to thank You, and to worship You in the best way."

"اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ النَّارِ"

"O Alláh, I ask You to grant me Paradise and I seek refuge with You from the Hell Fire."

(12) Then send greetings to your right hand side, and then your left hand side (turning your head each time fully) and saying:

"السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَّهُ"

"May the peace and mercy of Alláh be upon you."

(13) If the prayer consists of three *rak'ahs* such as *Maghrib* (immediately following sunset) or consists of four *rak'ahs*, such as *Dhuhr* (just after noon) or '*Asr* (mid afternoon), or '*Esha* (night time), perform the *Tashahhud*, but then rise for the third *rakah*, straightening your knees first (the

opposite order of photoset 4), and raise both your hands as shown in photoset 1, saying: "اللَّهُ أَكْبَرٌ"

(14) Then recite *surah al-Fátihah* only, then continue your prayer in the method described previously; then for *Maghrib*, perform the *Tashahhud* in the third *rak'ah*, and for *Dhuhr*, '*Asr* or '*Esha* perform the *Tashahhud* at the end of the fourth *rak'ah*. When sitting, sit in the same way as you sat for the first *Tashahhud*, although with one slight difference; you must sit in a 'folded' manner with your left foot placed underneath your right foot, with your right foot spread out or drawn in (and it is your choice as to which position you adopt as shown in photoset 8).

Then finally perform the salám.

Practice all that has been described in this guide, until you are confident.

(15) It is appropriate that any Muslim who seeks to perform the five prayers conscientiously in the best manner will attend the prayer in a *Masjid*, and not be neglectful of that, so that he may be of those who are successful, if Alláh wills.

(16) It is preferred that each Muslim man or woman ensures that they observe 12 additional *rak'ahs* (prayed as separate non-obligatory prayers and with a distinct intention). These are: 2 before *Fajr*, four before *Dhuhr*, and two after *Dhuhr*, and 2 after *Magrib*, and two after '*Esha*. From the hadeeth in *Sahih Muslim* (728):

"Whoever prays 12 rak'ahs in one day and a night, a house is built for him in Paradise". As for during travel, then the non-obligatory prayers for *Dhuhr*, *Maghrib* and '*Esha* are not performed, while the two sunnah for *Fajr*, and the *Witr* prayer are observed.

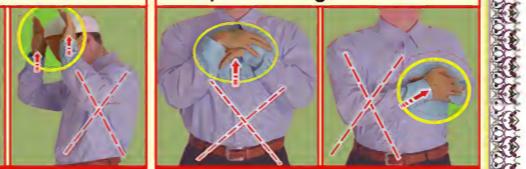
(17) Some of the mistakes made when praying:

1-To make a move or perform part of prayer before the Imam does when praying in congregation, or to synchronize any action with the Imam

2-To look up towards the sky while praying

3-Reciting the *takbeer*

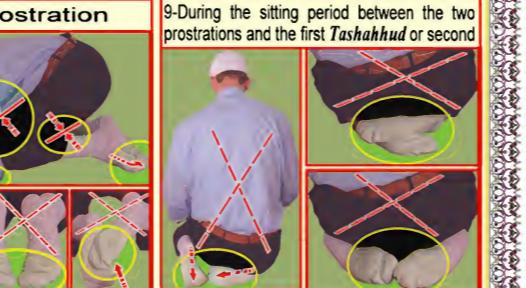
4-In positioning of the hands



5-In positioning of the feet



6-During the bowing (rukoo')



7-After rising from (rukoo')

8-During prostration

9-During the sitting period between the two prostrations and the first *Tashahhud* or second

HOW TO PERFORM THE FUNERAL PRAYER

(1) Make the intention in your heart of praying for the deceased. Then, pronounce the *takbeer* to enter prayer (raising your hands as shown in photoset 1), saying:

"اللَّهُ أَكْبَرٌ"

Then place your hands on your chest as shown in one of the photos from photoset 2, and then recite *surah al-Fátihah*.

(2) Pronounce the *takbeer* a second time (again, raising your hands in the same way

as for the first), saying: "اللَّهُ أَكْبَرٌ"

Then replace your hands upon your chest (as after the first *takbeer*) and then pray for the Prophet ﷺ.

(3) Then pronounce the *takbeer* a third time (raising your hands) saying: "اللَّهُ أَكْبَرٌ"

Then replace your hands upon your chest as before, and then supplicate to Alláh for the deceased using the following supplication:

"اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِحَيَاةِ وَمِيتَانَا وَشَاهِدَنَا وَصَغِيرَنَا وَكَبِيرَنَا
وَذَكَرَنَا وَأَنْثَانَا، اللَّهُمَّ مَنْ أَحْيَيْتَ مِنْ أَحْيَيْتَهُ عَلَى الْإِسْلَامِ وَمَنْ
تُوْقِنَتْ مَنْ تُوْقِنَتْهُ عَلَى الْإِيمَانِ"

"O Alláh, forgive those of us who are still living and those who are dead, those of us who are present and those who are absent, our minors and our elders; O Alláh, let the one whom You grant life to from among us live according to Islám and the one whom You cause to die from among us, die as a Believer."

(4) Pronounce the *takbeer* a fourth time raising your hands as saying: "اللَّهُ أَكْبَرٌ"

Then replace your hands upon your chest as before and then give salám saying:

"السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَّهُ"

The Prophet ﷺ said about the funeral:

"Whoever attends the funeral procession till he offers the prayer for it, will get a reward equal to one *Qirat*, and whoever accompanies it till the burial, will get a reward equal to two *Qirats*." It was asked:

"What are two *Qirats*?" He replied: "*like two huge mountains*." Narrated by *Bukháree* 1325 and *Muslim* 945

And he ﷺ said: **"Hurry up with the dead for if it was righteous, you are forwarding it to a good thing and if it was otherwise (not righteous), then you are putting off an evil thing from your neck."** Narrated by *Bukháree* 1315 and *Muslim* 944

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Alláh says:

إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ كَانَتْ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ كِتَابًا مَوْقُوتًا الساء - 103
"Surely, prayer was prescribed for the Believers at specific times."

The Messenger of Alláh ﷺ said:

✓ "Whoever is conscientious in performance of their prayer will gain light (of guidance), evidence (proof of good deeds), and success on the Day of Resurrection." Narrated by Ahmad 6540 and Dárimi 2721

✓ "Between a man and disbelief, polytheism is the abandonment of prayer." Narrated by Muslim 82

✓ "You must pray (according to my method) as you have seen me pray." Narrated by *Bukháree* 631

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